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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel claims 4 and 5 without prejudice and add the following new claims in lieu thereof.

6. (New) A tablet as in claim 1 further comprising lactose.

7. (New) A tablet as in claim 1 where the amount of lubricant by weight is from about 0.3 percent

to about 4 percent of the total tablet weight.

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